

# School Unification Makes Slow Progress

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 Education News Service  
 State-encouraged unification of California's school districts is clearly one of the most heated local issues in hundreds of communities today—and it will continue to rate high interest for years to come.

Progress is being made, but the pace is slow.

From the long-range perspective, reduction of the number of districts appears substantial. In 1950 there were 2,091 school districts operating on the elementary

and secondary level in California. Today the total is down to 1,494 (164 are unified, 1,134 elementary and 196 high school), compared to 1,533 in mid-1963.

TO MANY at the local level who don't want to give up their small districts, the trend is going much too fast; but to those on the state level who are interested in getting more efficient school operations and more quality for the money, it is painfully slow.

To achieve the intent of the

Legislature when it passed the Unruh reorganization reform bill last year, another 1,134 districts will have to be eliminated, thus bringing the total districts in the state down to about 360.

This, of course, means that a great deal more radical surgery at the local school district level still lies ahead.

TO ENCOURAGE the change, Assembly Speaker Jesse Unruh is disseminating the results of a recent survey directed by Napa County School Superintendent Percy

C. Holiday. It offers overwhelming testimony that school district unification results in more and better unification for the tax dollar expended.

Administrators in recently-unified districts reported that under unification previously unequal educational opportunities had been equalized, a climate was established to attract and hold able teachers, and greater coordination between different school levels had been achieved.

Meanwhile, the battle at the local level continues with

60 unification elections now pending. It is here in the grassroots voting booth where the final results must be decided because no reorganization plan can become reality without voter approval.

PERSONNEL specialists from industry unwittingly revealed clues to some troublesome problems in the current job market at the recent California Conference on Vocational Education.

For one thing, it becomes evident during discussions on how to help "below average" students find jobs that many companies are almost exclusively interested in the "above

average" no matter what level of work is being considered.

One official admitted that his company is hiring highly-trained engineers to fill positions that could easily be handled by good technicians.

Practices such as this make life particularly tough for the unfortunates who graduate in the bottom 50 per cent of their high school class.

Imagine where it leaves the dropout!

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NATIVE SON... Melvin E. Miller, born and educated in Torrance, has been promoted to manager of the Costa Mesa branch of Bank of America. He began his career in 1946 as a teller at the Torrance branch office. He is a brother to Torrance Councilman Ken Miller.

## ...Let's Go

By LARRY MACARAY

There are tours and there are tours! If one goes into any travel bureau and begins to inquire about tours to Hawaii, Mexico, Europe or just "plain" around-the-world—the folders and brochures available are literally endless.

It's quite dubious to most people, when they sign up for any travel tour, as to the kind of people they will be traveling with. Personalities may clash—ages may be too different—and invariably there are far too many females in any travel group.

Finding a common interest is really a contributing factor to the success of any travel group. Certainly there is the aura and magic of being in the "old world"—and I personally find it everything I've ever heard about it. But common interest groups are really the most highly successful journeys—at least to the participants.

Leon Franks and we had lunch with him at the Victor Hugo. As always, it's interesting and exciting to see Leon and to see what new things he is working on.

We happened to drop in next to the Victor Hugo—Laguna Beach Art Gallery or whatever it's called—first time we had ever been in—but we both have admired the painting of Roger Kuntz for some time, and he was having a one man show. The show was great—but what a pleasant surprise to run into Rex Brandt there.

HIS EUROPEAN tour was the topic of our conversation, to say the least. Leaving New York July 13, sketching sessions and gallery visits begin with the first stop in Paris. So difficult to just mention Paris without volumes of exciting comment but—in addition to Paris there are Venice, Florence and Rome to see in Italy.

REX BRANDT, the famous watercolor artist from Corona del Mar, recently sent me a brochure of his summer's sketching tour in Europe. It sounds very exciting, and if I weren't taking a group around the world, I'd go with Rex on his tour.

Last week, my wife and I went to Laguna Beach to see

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Nice and the rest of the beautiful Riviera coast will provide a riot of colorful background material for the artists on the tour. Madrid and Spain will round out the three-week tour. The tour is primarily planned for painting students who want to see something of the great centers of European culture and at the same time to record impressions and memories.

Ten half-day classes are scheduled with Rex and his wife, Joan Brandt, at some of the most picturesque locations in Europe. A clever—and I suppose necessary provision—is that non-painting husbands and wives will be able to enjoy the trip, too. What has been planned for them is anybody's guess—Rex didn't elaborate. The cost for the tour is \$649, plus trans-Atlantic fare.

STARTING JULY 6 (before the three-week tour) there will be a one week painting session at Honfleur, France. This is a fishing village and art colony where the Seine River meets the English Channel. There will be daily painting sessions, individual instruction and group critique every day. Cost of this week will be \$179.

After the three-week tour—and starting on Aug. 3 for one week—there will be a painting tour in the magnificent walled city of Toledo, Spain. El Greco lived and painted most of his greatest works here. Cost of this week will be \$148.

If you're at all interested in going on a tour like this—write to Rex Brandt Summer School of Painting, 405 Goldenrod Ave., Corona del Mar—and mention that you read it in this column. Rex is a terrific teacher and it will be money well-spent.

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